

There is no doubt that you have enriched Jeollabuk-do with your works, speech and spirit. For that reason, the value of such visits is immeasurable and we truly appreciate the opportunity to have you as one of us.

It's only been less than a month since we shared our celebratory nights with Samoan soldiers. We were overwhelmed by their and your spiritual reunion and warm hearts. I was mournful with the latest and yet tragic news of the earthquake and the tsunami. My deepest sympathies are with American Samoans and other Samoans who have lost loved ones, especially with Samoan soldiers in Korea and with you. There is no doubt that you are the sons of warriors. I know you will only be stronger. I hope that Samoa is in good hands and will recover sooner and better. You and Samoa are in my thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely yours,

KIM WAN-JOO,  
*Governor, Jeollabuk-do Province.*

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

##### HON. JEFF FORTENBERRY

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 21, 2009*

Mr. FORTENBERRY. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican leadership standards on Member requests, I am submitting the following information regarding the earmarks I received as part of the FY10 Agriculture Appropriations Conference Report:

Requesting Member: Congressman JEFF FORTENBERRY

Bill Number: H.R. 2997, FY10 Agriculture Appropriations Conference Report

Account: Agricultural Research Services—Buildings and Facilities

Project Name: Systems Biology Research Facility, Lincoln, Nebraska

Amount: \$3,760,000

Name and Address of Requesting Entity: University of Nebraska—Lincoln, located at 202 Agricultural Hall, Lincoln, Nebraska 68583.

Description: This funding will be used toward construction of a University of Nebraska—Lincoln, UNL/Agricultural Research Service, ARS, Research Facility. This facility would provide critically needed space for UNL and ARS research addressing two areas of national concern: renewable energy and water resource conservation and management. Agriculture is expected to provide almost 40 percent of the nation's liquid fuels within 30 years. This will further intensify demands on our soil and water resources. UNL and ARS scientists have been collaborating at UNL since the 1930s. Very strong collaborative programs continue today, including the ARS program at UNL that has been developing improved switchgrass varieties for 30 years and is the leading program in the world on the use of switchgrass for cellulosic ethanol. These scientists are scattered across the UNL campus and the proposed building will enable them to share collaborative, cutting-edge research space that will move this important research forward more rapidly. This project would advance major research focused on essential national efforts.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

##### HON. NITA M. LOWEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 21, 2009*

Mrs. LOWEY. Madam Speaker, I regrettably missed rollcall vote No. 790, 791, and 792 on October 20, 2009. Had I been present, I would have voted in the following manner:

Rollcall No. 790: "yea"; rollcall No. 791: "yea"; rollcall No. 792: "yea."

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE SERGEANT TIMOTHY SMITH OF SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, CA

##### HON. TOM MCCLINTOCK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 21, 2009*

Mr. MCCLINTOCK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Timothy Smith of South Lake Tahoe, CA, who was killed in the line of duty on April 7, 2008. Tim is survived by his wife Shayna Richard-Smith, their son Riley, his parents, Patricia and Michael, his brother Tom, and his sister Jackie.

Tim graduated from South Tahoe High School in 2001 and joined the Army in April 2004. He will always be remembered for his sense of humor, his warmth, and his great courage. Senator HARRY REID, on the floor of the United States Senate, called Tim Smith "a hero—a real-life American hero—who gave his life so that others might be safe."

Timothy Smith gave the ultimate sacrifice, may we never forget.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

##### HON. MICHAEL N. CASTLE

OF DELAWARE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 21, 2009*

Mr. CASTLE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding funding for Delaware included as part of the final conference report for the FY 2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, H.R. 3183:

Name of Project: Delaware Coast, Cape Henlopen to Fenwick Island, Bethany Beach to South Bethany, DE

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: ACOE—Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: The Wana-maker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA, 19107

Description of Request: \$969,000 for the periodic renourishment of the Bethany Beach/South Bethany project area in Sussex County, Delaware. The purpose of this project is to reduce flood and coastal storm damage.

Name of Project: Delaware Coast, Cape Henlopen to Fenwick Island, Rehoboth Beach and Dewey Beach, DE

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: ACOE—Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: The Wana-maker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA, 19107

Description of Request: \$969,000 for the periodic renourishment of Rehoboth Beach and Dewey Beach in Sussex County, Delaware. The purpose of the project is to reduce flood and coastal storm damage.

Name of Project: Harbor of Refuge, Lewes, DE

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: ACOE—O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: The Wana-maker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA, 19107

Description of Request: \$100,000 to repair and re-enforce the federally owned offshore Harbor of Refuge Breakwater wall that has been badly damaged and weakened by storms. The purpose of the project is to restore the historic breakwater itself and preservation of the lighthouse, which provides sound storm protection for marine interests and erosion protection for the Lewes/Cape Henlopen area shoreline.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

##### HON. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, October 21, 2009*

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the FY 10 Energy and Water Development Appropriation Act.

Requesting Member: Rep. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Delaware River Dredging Material Utilization

Account: Army Corps of Engineers—Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: The Wana-maker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA 19107-3390.

Description: Evaluate problems, needs, and opportunities in the interest of beneficial use of dredged material. This project will provide ecosystem restoration and improve water quality in the vicinity of the Delaware River between Philadelphia and Trenton.

Financial Statement: A reconnaissance study is 100% federally funded. The States of Delaware, New Jersey and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will be the non-Federal sponsors and will provide current site conditions data in this phase, and will contribute half of all subsequent study costs.

New Jersey Shoreline Alternative Long-Term Nourishment

Account: Army Corps of Engineers—Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: The Wana-maker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA 19107-3390.